

OBSERVANCE OF THE FOURTH.

MISS LEWIS AS CLEOPATRA.

General Parade with 8,000 Men in Line in the Morning.

A Host of Other Events to Amuse Pleasure-Seekers.

The Actress Chats Breezily About Her Forthcoming Production.

"Banker's Daughter" May Be Revived—Stage News and Gossip.

Independence Day will be observed by the metropolis on Wednesday in a way more general than in years. This will be the one hundred and eighteenth anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, and though occasionally some public scandal is revealed, like that unearthed by the Lexow Committee, the faith of the people in the wisdom of a government of the people, for the people, by the people, unhampered by hereditary rulers, is unshaken.

On the morning of July 4, 1777, the peaceful Quakers of Philadelphia gave expression to their endorsement of the political independence by firing a volley of musketry, ringing the bells of the staid old town and congratulating each other and the Republic on its first birthday.

There was little cause for rejoicing then. The patriot soldiers had been very tough year. Sixty very tough rebels passed from Col. Howe's hands away from New York Harbor with his defeated red-coated soldiers and the immortal George Washington came down the Bowery road with the retinues of the soldier-ruined people of New York.

New York used to celebrate Independence Day with a good old-fashioned parade; but she got too big and dignified for that, and in 1874 the general idea was abandoned.

A hundred small parades have occurred each July 4 since then, however, harriers, musketeers, target clubs, clowns, bands, floats, and other organizations appearing in various parts of the city on their way to steamboat piers, where they embarked for the annual rendezvous for the day.

In 1894 we will return to the ancient custom. There will be a general parade, in which at least 8,000 persons will take part with P. S. Dickson as Grand Marshal, Major John G. Norman, of Revolutionary descent, as Chief of Staff.

The parade will start from Thirty-fourth Street and Avenue, in the morning, and will be made up as follows:

First Division—All regular military bodies; Marine Corps, Navy, and Naval Cadets; Division of Veterans and Naval Cadets; marshal, Rear-Admiral H. R. Osborne.

Second Division—G. A. and kindred bodies; Marshal, Prof. Schaefer.

Fourth Division—Sons of Veterans' Camp; marshal, Jas. H. White.

Fifth Division—Combined military bodies; Marshal, Col. F. A. Rosenthal; London and a relative—of Lord Rosebery, England's Premier. Lord Rosebery, however, will not appear in "The Police Inspector."

Notwithstanding the fact that the Police Committee has ordered the New York police force, "The Police Inspector," depicting the heroism of "the finest," will go on the road, opening in Chicago, Aug. 1, and will be remembered as having starred in "The Wages of Sin." The leading man will be Carlton Wells, late of the Royal Opera House, and a relative—of Lord Rosebery, England's Premier. Lord Rosebery, however, will not appear in "The Police Inspector."

Sixth Division—Leonard Royne's understudy last season in "The Prodigal Daughter" is 30, and will take over "The Police Inspector," depicting the heroism of "the finest," will go on the road, opening in Chicago, Aug. 1, and will be remembered as having starred in "The Wages of Sin." The leading man will be Carlton Wells, late of the Royal Opera House, and a relative—of Lord Rosebery, England's Premier. Lord Rosebery, however, will not appear in "The Police Inspector."

Seventh Division—Order of United American Mechanics; seniors; marshal, E. F. Bruner.

Eighth Division—American Mechanics; seniors; marshal, Richard Bush.

Ninth Division—F. D. Marshall; marshal, senior corps.

Tenth Division—Public schools and miscellaneous; marshal, senior principal.

Eleventh Division—Frederick G. Jenkins; Sons of America; Revolution; Col. John Fryer Old Guard; Major E. F. Clausen; Jas. A. M. Col. Clegg; Sprague; G. A. R. and Col. John L. Elliott; Union.

The next biggest thing in New York's celebration of the ever glorious Fourth will be the Tammany Hall, beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning. There will be "Long Tammany" by George's son, George E. Parker, and a Congresswoman, Josephine Bailey, of Texas; and "Short Tales" by Gov. Hogg, of Texas; Congresswoman William M. Jevons; Congressman Gen. Gen. Smith, and near thirty other patriots of the Democratic party, after all. It is to be hoped that the leaders of the opposition will descend into the bowels of the earth, and other political parties will be buried in the rear of the Wigwam, and quench the ever flowing "spring" of champagne, eat watermelon and celebrate triumphantly.

The New York Society of the Cincinnati will have an Independence Day meeting at 1 o'clock at Delmonico's.

The Larchmont Yacht Club will meet at its annual festival and picnic, at 1 p.m., at the club house, in Central Park at sunrise, the flag used being the colors of the war of 1812.

The Young Men's Institute, with its friends, will have an outing at Nassau Highlands, leaving on the steamer Little River from Twelfth street and North.

At Lion Park the New York Letter Carriers Association will celebrate the Fourth with its annual festival and picnic, at 1 p.m., at the club house, in Central Park at sunrise, the flag used being the colors of the war of 1812.

And now it is said that the much-disputed aerial ballet, which is to take the place of the still living pictures, is not so very good now after all. It is described as good, but not very good.

The Larchmont Yacht Club's regatta and the naphtha launch races, under the direction of the American Yacht Club, will be particularly attractive.

Nathan Hale will be unveiled at 120 o'clock at Huntington, L. I., Gen. Lee's Tomb, and will be the chief attraction.

There will be a pilgrimage of Catho-lics to St. Anthony's shrine, Butler, N. J., where the shrine will be draped in American flags.

The Tammany people of Old Greenwich will celebrate Abingdon Square, the Green Stockings, Gen. Martin T. McMahon, Leader James Boyle and other speakers.

The inhabitants of Staten Island will have a picnic at the new Staten Island Prohibition Park, Rev. Dr. L. A. Hank will be the orator. There will be a band at 1 p.m., and at 3 o'clock William G. Whittier, the author of "Whittier," there will be a musical entertainment at 7:45 and fireworks at 11:15 in the evening.

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